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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF PUERTO RICO

In re:

THE FINANCIAL OVERSIGHT AND MANAGEMENT BOARD FOR PUERTO RICO,

as representative of

THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO, et al.

Debtors.1

PROMESA Title III

No. 17 BK 3283-LTS (Jointly Administered)

# NINTH NOTICE OF CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING NOTICES OF INTENT TO PARTICIPATE IN CONFIRMATION DISCOVERY

The Debtors in these Title III Cases, along with each Debtor's respective Title III case number listed as a bankruptcy case number due to software limitations and the last four (4) digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, as applicable, are the (i) Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (Bankruptcy Case No. 17 BK 3283-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3481); (ii) Puerto Rico Sales Tax Financing Corporation ("COFINA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17 BK 3284-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 8474); (iii) Employees Retirement System of the Government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico ("ERS") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17 BK 3566-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 9686); (iv) Puerto Rico Highways and Transportation Authority ("HTA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17 BK 3567-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3808); (v) Puerto Rico Electric Power Authority ("PREPA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 17 BK 4780 (LTS)) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3747); and (vi) Puerto Rico Public Buildings Authority ("PBA") (Bankruptcy Case No. 19-BK-5523-LTS) (Last Four Digits of Federal Tax ID: 3801) (Title III case numbers are listed as Bankruptcy Case numbers due to software limitations).

### To the Honorable United States District Judge Laura Taylor Swain:

The Financial Oversight and Management Board for Puerto Rico (the "Oversight Board"), as sole Title III representative of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico (the "Commonwealth"), the Employees Retirement System of the Government of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico ("ERS"), and the Puerto Rico Public Buildings Authority ("PBA," and together with the Commonwealth and ERS, the "Debtors") pursuant to section 315(b) of the *Puerto Rico Oversight, Management, and Economic Stability Act* ("PROMESA"), 2 respectfully states as follows:

- 1. On August 2, 2021, the Court entered the *Order Establishing Procedures and Deadlines Concerning Objections to Confirmation and Discovery in Connection Therewith* [ECF No. 17640] (the "Confirmation Procedures Order").<sup>3</sup> Therein, the Court set August 15, 2021 as the deadline for creditors who intend to serve discovery requests in connection with confirmation of the plan of adjustment to file a "Notice of Intent to Participate in Discovery," also known as a "Discovery Notice" (each as defined in the Confirmation Procedures Order). Confirmation Procedures Order at 3. The Court also set October 19, 2021 as the deadline for creditors who do not intend to serve discovery requests to file a "Notice of Intent to Participate in Discovery" in order to gain access to the Plan Depository. *Id*.
- 2. Although the Notice of Intent to Participate in Discovery instructs creditors who are represented by counsel to file their notices using CM/ECF, and instructs creditors who are not represented by counsel to "mail the Notice to the Court's Clerk's Office" (see Notice of Entry of Order Establishing Preliminary Confirmation Submission and Discovery Procedures, and

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> PROMESA has been codified at 48 U.S.C. §§ 2101-2241.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> The Confirmation Procedures Order was subsequently amended on October 5, 2021. See Amended Order Establishing Procedures and Deadlines Concerning Objections to Confirmation and Discovery in Connection Therewith [ECF No. 18394].

Directing Notice to Creditors of the Same, ECF No. 17431-1 at 3), the Oversight Board received and continues to receive via mail completed Notices of Intent to Participate in Discovery.

- 3. The Oversight Board filed the (i) Notice of Correspondence Regarding Notices of Intent to Participate in Discovery [ECF No. 17812]; (ii) Second Notice of Correspondence Regarding Notices of Intent to Participate in Discovery [ECF Nos. 17901-17905]; (iii) Third Notice of Correspondence Regarding Notices of Intent to Participate in Discovery [ECF No. 18035]; (iv) Fourth Notice of Correspondence Regarding Notices of Intent to Participate in Discovery [ECF No. 18036]; (v) Fifth Notice of Correspondence Regarding Notices of Intent to Participate in Discovery [ECF No. 18037]; (vi) Sixth Notice of Correspondence Regarding Notices of Intent to Participate in Discovery [ECF No. 18038]; (vii) Seventh Notice of Correspondence Regarding Notices of Intent to Participate in Discovery [ECF No. 18075]; and (viii) Eighth Notice of Correspondence Regarding Notices of Intent to Participate in Discovery [ECF No. 18368] (collectively, the "Notices"), each of which submitted to the Court the completed Notices of Intent to Participate in Discovery the Oversight Board had received as of each Notice's respective filing date.
- 4. The Oversight Board has received via mail additional completed Notices of Intent to Participate in Discovery, which are attached hereto as Exhibits 1-50. The Debtors respectfully request that the Court take notice of the foregoing.

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Dated: October 17, 2021 San Juan, Puerto Rico

#### Respectfully submitted,

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that, on this same date, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF system, which will send notifications of such filing to all CM/ECF participants in this case.

/s/ Hermann D. Bauer Hermann D. Bauer